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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application No. <b>08/997,219</b>	Applicant(s) <b>Yamahara</b>
	Examiner <b>Kenneth Parker</b>	Art Unit <b>2871</b>

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Kenneth Parker (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (2) David Tucker (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview Apr 25, 2002

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference  
 c) Personal [copy is given to 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No. If yes, brief description:

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Claim(s) discussed: \_\_\_\_\_

Identification of prior art discussed:  
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Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

The examiner indicated that in looking for liquid crystal characteristics or paramters to overcome the current rejections it may be helpful to consider that STN and TN have slightly different conventional characteristics, however warned that those parameters may not be in the current application.  
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(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

**KENNETH PARKER**  
**PRIMARY EXAMINER**  
**ART UNIT 2871**

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required

In response to the telephone communication of April, 2002 in which applicant informed the examiner that the references had not been received, the following corrective action is taken:

Copies of the references are enclosed.

The period for response of 3 MONTHS set in the previous office action is reset to begin with the mailing date of this letter.

May 15, 2002



KENNETH ALLEN PARKER  
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